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Re DEPTEL 280 and EMBTEL 427.

Called on Secretary General Presidency evening November 8 to ask if he could tell me of further developments re offer Naval units for quarantine operations. He acknowledged he had told me November 3 that President planned discuss matter with his military advisers November 5 and said was sorry this consultation had not materialized as planned owing complete absorbtion of President and Cabinet with financial crisis. He asked me what Admiral Porto had told us and I quoted Admiral as having stated to USNAVAT he had prepared report on subject for Minister War and President and that matter was now up to President. I told Secretary I wished express again USG interest Colombian Naval participation and he promised report our conversation promptly to President.

Continued references Colombian Naval participation from Washington sources in face of no decision here yet are embarrassing locally and Secretary General let me know this.

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Note: Relayed to CINCLANT, CINCARIB, CNO 11/9/62

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